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CUSTODIAN'S VISITS.

An Interesting Account of the Custodian's Visits For the Month of April.

Friday, April 5, I visited U. S. Hunter Lodge at Glendora, Miss. They were anxiously awaiting his arrival and seem to have enjoyed every word spoken by the Custodian. I believe they are united in their determination to increase their Lodge.

On the 7th I spoke to the good people at Myersville, La. There being no lodge of the Afro-American Sons & Daughters at this place accounts for the speech. Results were obtained. I enrolled 28 new members. Prof. E. F. Caston accompanied me through the state of Louisiana.

On the night of the 7th I spoke to a small number at Newellton, La. They seemed to have been anxiously awaiting my arrival. They enjoyed the address and a few members were added. Hearing of another meeting about four miles away we motored to the scene and arrived there just in time to speak before adjournment. We will make this one of the biggest numbers in the state as soon as Prof. Caston returns to the state of Louisiana.

On Monday night, the 8th, the officers and members of S. Joseph lodge at St. Joseph, La., turned out. The good President and other officers spared no pains to make us welcome. Prof. Caston was first introduced and to the delight of all he made an excellent address, on "Public Spirited Men and Women." The Custodian followed, who spoke, at length on the new hospital as the results of co-operation. Seven new members were added and the foundation was laid for another visit in June, at which time fifty new members will be made ready by the local lodge. A prize will be given to any one who will bring five new members during the membership contest started by the Custodian.

Water Proof, La., was the next stop. We met there on the 9th. After hearing a delight-

ful sermon which was scheduled to come first, Prof. Caston introduced the Custodian, after whose address a few members were added and another visit will be made in May by Prof. Caston. Water conditions made necessary to cancel the other dates in the state and we headed for Yazoo City April 11.

On the 17th a large crowd of members and visitors attended the installation at Indianola, Miss. The meeting was very interesting from the beginning to the end. Several of the state organizers were present. The installation was conducted in a way that interested every one there. The installation sermon was preached by one of the learned pastors of Inverness, Miss.

On the 21st the Custodian spoke at the High School at Durant, the principal of which school is Prof. Williams. This school is making better showing than any school in the state as far as I have gone, and stands out as a number one in its work. It was interesting indeed to see the School Garden, Orchard, Crops, Hogs and Chickens. In fact everything is in keeping with the advancement of the civilization. We arranged a membership drive at this place which will be pulled off May 13.

On the 25th, 26th, 27th and 28th I spoke at Lambert, Darling, Jonestown and Gleason Grove. This itinerary was arranged by Mrs. U. S. Hunter, of Marks, Miss., State Grand Organizer, and Mrs. Jessie Moss, of Belen, Miss. A goodly number of members were added at each place. There will be a membership drive to be pulled off at Darling May 10. A gold prize of \$2.50 for every five members brought in by the contestants. All lodges nearby are asked to attend. Fully sixty new members will be added.

NOTICE TO ALL LODGES.

You must elect a Juvenile Mother in your local lodge and get up a Juvenile Number. No lodge is number one unless there is a band of little folks.